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on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the  
Council (Doc. 331/75) for a decision on European Social Fund measures to aid  
vocational adaptation operations

OPINION OF THE COMMITTEE ON BUDGETS

Letter from the chairman to Mr A. BERTRAND, chairman of the Committee  
on Social Affairs and Employment

Luxembourg, 13 November 1975

Dear Mr Chairman,

At its meeting of 12 November 1975 the Committee on Budgets<sup>1</sup> considered the proposal for a Council decision on European Social Fund measures (Article 4 of the Council decision of 1 February 1971) to aid vocational adaptation operations connected with the recession (Doc. 331/75).

The committee noted that the purpose of the proposal is to make funds available to facilitate the geographical and vocational mobility of persons particularly affected by the imbalance in employment linked to the recession having particular regard to the problems of regions in which, since the beginning of 1974, unemployment has risen considerably above the national average.

The Commission estimates the number of persons eligible to receive assistance at between 72,500 and 80,500. Taking this estimate as a basis and allowing an average cost of 670 u.a. per person, provision must be made in the budget for an annual sum of some 49 to 53 million u.a.

The committee regrets that the Commission did not submit this proposal - which goes back to a Council decision of 17 June - earlier so as to allow it to consider in more detail the basic problems involved.

Although the Committee on Budgets welcomes the content of this proposal, it finds itself obliged to reject it because of the lack of any financial statement.

Yours sincerely,

Erwin Lange

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<sup>1</sup> Present: Mr Lange, chairman; Mr Aigner, vice-chairman; Mr Artzinger, Mr Bangemann, Mr Concas, Mr Dalyell, Mr Duval (deputizing for Mr Terrenoire), Mr Dykes (deputizing for Mr Kirk), Mr Früh, Mr Gerlach, Mr Lautenschlager, Mr Notenboom, Mr Schmidt, Mr Shaw, Mr Vandewiele (deputizing for Mr Galli) and Mr Yeats.

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Report

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drawn up on behalf of the Committee on Social Affairs and Employment

on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council (Doc. 332/75) for a decision in regard to the intervention of the European Social Fund in favour of persons occupied in the textile and clothing sectors

Rapporteur: Mr A. BERTRAND



By letter of 23 October 1975 the President of the Council of the European Communities requested the European Parliament to deliver an opinion on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a decision in regard to the intervention of the European Social Fund in favour of persons occupied in the textile and clothing sectors.

In anticipation of official referral by the President of the European Parliament, the Committee on Social Affairs and Employment appointed Mr A. Bertrand rapporteur at its meeting of 30 October 1975.

It considered the proposal at its meeting of 30 October 1975 and at the same meeting unanimously adopted the motion for a resolution.

Present: Mr A. Bertrand, chairman and rapporteur; Mr Marras, Mr Baas (deputizing for Mr Premoli), Mr Berkhouwer (deputizing for Mr Durand), Mr Bersani (deputizing for Mr Pêtre), Mr Broeks (deputizing for Mr Albers), Mr Carpentier, Mr De Sanctis, Mr Dondelinger, Mrs Dunwoody, Mr Glinne, Mr Howell, Mr Pisoni, Mr Prescott, Sir Brandon Rhys-Williams (deputizing for Mr Normanton), Mr Rosati, Mr Santer, Mr Terrenoire and Mr Vandwiele (deputizing for Mr Van der Gun).

The opinion of the Committee on Budgets, if any, will be issued as a separate document.

The explanatory statement will be made orally.



The Committee on Social Affairs and Employment hereby submits to the European Parliament the following motion for a resolution:

MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

embodying the opinion of the European Parliament on the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council for a decision in regard to the intervention of the European Social Fund in favour of persons occupied in the textile and clothing sectors

The European Parliament,

- having regard to the proposal from the Commission of the European Communities to the Council (COM(75) 502 final),
  - having been consulted by the Council (Doc. 332/75),
  - having regard to the report by the Committee on Social Affairs and Employment (and the opinion of the Committee on Budgets) (Doc. 358/75),
1. Endorses the indefinite extension of support from the European Social Fund for the clothing and textile sectors made available by Council Decision No. 72/429/EEC<sup>1</sup> and its simultaneous extension to the whole textiles and chemical fibres sector, including the self-employed;
  2. Approves the present proposal for a decision<sup>2</sup> without amendment.

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<sup>1</sup>OJ No. L 291/72, p. 160

<sup>2</sup>Contrary to Article 189 of the EEC Treaty the Dutch text uses the term 'besluit' instead of 'beschikking'.







